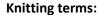# Girl's Cabled Sweater Dress

Difficulty Level: Experienced ★★★☆

Sizes: 12 months, (2 years, 4 years, 6 years)

Materials: 17-inch circular knitting needles, size 10 (U.S.); Set of double pointed needles, size 8 (U.S.) OR 47-inch long circular needle, size 8 (U.S.) if using magic loop method; cable needle; worsted weight yarn (model was knit with Loops and Threads Impeccable, color: Neapolitan); stitch markers; tapestry needle.

Gauge: 4 sts and 5 rows/inch on larger needles and stockinette stitch

Knitting terms:
K –knit
P –purl
Sl 1 – slip next stitch purlwise
Pfb – purl into front and back of same stitch
Kfb – knit into front and back of same stitch
P1-b – purl into back loop
K1-b – knit into back loop
M1 purlwise – lift running thread between sts onto LH needle, and purl into the back loop
C4B – slip 2 sts to cable needle and hold in back of work, k2, then k2 from cable needle.
C4F – slip 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front of work, k2, then k2 from cable needle.

Front Panel Cable Stitch (worked over 16 sts)
Row 1: k4, C4B, C4F, k4.
Row 2: knit
Row 3: k2, C4B, k4, C4F, k2.
Row 4: knit

Row 5: C4B, k8, C4F
Row 6: knit
Rep rows 1-6 for pattern

Center Back Accent Cable
Rows 1and 2: p2, k2, p2
Rows 3 and 4: p1, k4, p1
Rows 5,6,7,8,9,10: k6
Row 11: slip 3 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k3, k3 from cable needle
Rows 12,13,14,15,16: k6
Row 17: repeat row 11.
Rows 18,19,20,21,22: k6
Rows 23 and 24: repeat rows 3 and 4.
Rows 25 and 26: repeat rows 1 and 2.
Note: Dress is worked from the top down

Instructions:
With 17-inch circular knitting needle, cast on 34(38,40,40) sts.

For 12 Month Size only:
Row 1: pfb, k4, p1, k4, pfb, p12, pfb, k4, k1, k4, pfb.
Row 2: knit all knit sts, and purl all purl sts.
Row 3: (pfb)twice, C4B, M1 purlwise, p1, M1 purlwise, C4F, pfb, p14, pfb, C4B, M1 purlwise, p1, M1 purlwise, C4F, (pfb) twice.
Row 4: rep row 2.
Row 5: pfb, p2, pfb, k4, pfb, p3, pfb, k4, pfb, p14, pfb, k4, pfb, p3, pfb, k4, pfb, p2, pfb.
Row 6: k4, p1, k1, knit all knit sts and purl all purl sts until last 6 sts, k1, p1, k4.
Row 7: pfb, p4, sl 1, pfb, C4B, pfb, p5, pfb, C4F, pfb, p16, pfb, C4B, pfb, p5, pfb, C4F, pfb, sl 1, p4, pfb.
Row 8: k5, p1-b, k2, knit all knit sts and purl all purl sts until last 8 sts, k2, p1-b, k5.
Row 9: pfb, p4, sl 1, p1, pfb, k4, pfb, p7, pfb, k4, pfb, p18, pfb, k4, pfb, p7, pfb, k4, pfb, p1, sl 1, p4, pfb.
Do not turn.

Cast on 6 sts, using backwards loop cast-on. Join into a round.
Round 1: Purl 4, place a marker (this will now be the beginning of rounds), p2, k1-b, knit all knit sts and purl all purl sts until you come to next slipped stitch; k1-b, p6, k6, p4.
Round 2: p2, sl 1, p2, pfb, C4B, pfb, p9, pfb, C4F, pfb, p20, pfb, C4B, pfb, p9, pfb, C4F, pfb, p2, sl 1, p6, k1, kfb, k2, kfb, k1, p4.
Round 3: p2, k1-b, p4, k4, p13, k4, p24, k4, p13, k4, p4, k1-b, p6, k8, p4.
Round 4: p2, sl 1, p3, pfb, k4, pfb, p11, pfb, k4, pfb, p22, pfb, k4, pfb, p11, pfb, k4, pfb, p3, sl 1, p6, C4B, C4F, p4.
Round 5: p2, k1-b, p5, k4, p15, k4, p26, k4, p15, k4, p5, k1-b, p6, k8, p4.
Round 6: p2, sl 1, p4, pfb, C4B, pfb, p13, pfb, C4F, pfb, p24, pfb, C4B, pfb, p13, pfb, C4F, pfb, p4, sl 1, p4, C4B, k4, C4F, p2.
Round 7: p2, k1-b, p6, k4, p17, k4, p28, k4, p17, k4, p6, k1-b, p4, k12, p2.
Round 8: p2, sl 1, p5, pfb, k4, pfb, p15, pfb, k4, pfb, p26, pfb, k4, pfb, p15, pfb, k4, pfb, p5, k1-b, C4B, k8, C4F, p2.
Round 9: p2, k1-b, p7, k4, p19, k4, p30, k4, p19, k4, p7, k1-b, p2, k16, p2.

For Sizes 2(4,6) years:
Row 1: pfb, k4, pfb, p1, pfb, k4, pfb, p12(14,14), pfb, k4, pfb, k1, pfb, k4, pfb.
Row 2: knit all knit sts, and purl all purl sts.
Row 3: (pfb)twice, C4B, pfb, p3, pfb, C4F, pfb, p14(16,16), pfb, C4B, pfb, p3, pfb, C4F, (pfb) twice.
Row 4: rep row 2.
Row 5: pfb, p2, pfb, k4, pfb, p5, pfb, k4, pfb, p16(18,18), pfb, k4, pfb, p5, pfb, k4, pfb, p2, pfb.
Row 6: k4, p1, k1, knit all knit sts and purl all purl sts until last 6 sts, k1, p1, k4.
Row 7: pfb, p4, sl 1, pfb, C4B, pfb, p7, pfb, C4F, pfb, p18(20,20), pfb, C4B, pfb, p7, pfb, C4F, pfb, sl 1, p4, pfb.
Row 8: k5, p1-b, k2, knit all knit sts and purl all purl sts until last 8 sts, k2, p1-b, k5.
Row 9: pfb, p4, sl 1, p1, pfb, k4, pfb, p9, pfb, k4, pfb, p20(22,22), pfb, k4, pfb, p9, pfb, k4, pfb, p1, sl 1, p4, pfb. Do not turn.

Cast on 6 sts, using backwards loop cast-on. Join into a round.
Round 1: Purl 4, place a marker (this will now be the beginning of rounds), p2, k1-b, knit all knit sts and purl all purl sts until you come to next slipped stitch; k1-b, p6, k6, p4.
Round 2: p2, sl 1, p2, pfb, C4B, pfb, p11, pfb, C4F, pfb, p22(24,24), pfb, C4B, pfb, p11, pfb, C4F, pfb, p2, sl 1, p6, k1, kfb, k2, kfb, k1, p4.
Round 3: p2, k1-b, p4, k4, p15, k4, p26, k4, p15, k4, p4, k1-b, p6, k8, p4.
Round 4: p2, sl 1, p3, pfb, k4, pfb, p13, pfb, k4, pfb, p24(26,26), pfb, k4, pfb, p13, pfb, k4, pfb, p3, sl 1, p6, C4B, C4F, p4.
Round 5: p2, k1-b, p5, k4, p17, k4, p28, k4, p17, k4, p5, k1-b, p6, k8, p4.
Round 6: p2, sl 1, p4, pfb, C4B, pfb, p15, pfb, C4F, pfb, p26(28,28), pfb, C4B, pfb, p15, pfb, C4F, pfb, p4, sl 1, p4, C4B, k4, C4F, p2.
Round 7: p2, k1-b, p6, k4, p19, k4, p30, k4, p19, k4, p6, k1-b, p4, k12, p2.
Round 8: p2, sl 1, p5, pfb, k4, pfb, p17, pfb, k4, pfb, p28(30,30), pfb, k4, pfb, p17, pfb, k4, pfb, p5, k1-b, C4B, k8, C4F, p2.
Round 9: p2, k1-b, p7, k4, p21, k4, p32, k4, p21, k4, p7, k1-b, p2, k16, p2.

FOR ALL SIZES, CONTINUE AS FOLLOWS:
Continue in set pattern, increasing one stitch on either side of each cable, crossing raglan cables every 4 rows and working 16 sts of Center Front panel as described above, starting with row 1. (Stitch markers may be placed on either side of the 16 sts for ease of working pattern)
When there are 34(38,42,48)sts between raglan cables on the back section of the dress, separate for sleeves as follows:
Work to first raglan cable, and work first 2 sts of cable;
**Thread a length of scrap yarn (a different color works best) onto tapestry needle, and thread remaining 2 sts of raglan cable and sts of first sleeve onto the scrap yarn along with first two sts of next raglan cable; cast on 5(6,6,7) sts for underarm, then work last 2 sts of raglan cable ** and work across Back sts, and next two sts of next raglan cable; work from ** to ** once more, then complete round.

Next round: Work patt to the 2 sts of the raglan cable. {knit the two knit sts of the raglan cable, knit 2, p1(2,23), knit 2}, purl across Back sts, rep between {}; patt to end of round.
The two sets of four knit sts at underarms now form new cables that will be crossed every four rows just as the raglan cables were.
Continue to work in set pattern.

AT THE SAME TIME, when back of dress measures 4 ½, 5, 5 ½, 6 inches, place a marker on either side of center 6 sts of Back, and begin working the Center Back Accent Cable as described above. At the end of the 26th row, markers can be removed and back sts are again all purled.

When dress measures 0(11,9,11) inches, inc 1 st in purl section between underarm cables.

When dress measures 0(0,14,16) inches, inc 1 st in purl section between underarm cables.

Contine in set patt until dress measures 13(15, 17,19) inches.

Work (k2, p2) ribbing around bottom of skirt. (the number of sts may need to be adjusted to come out evenly). Work ribbing for 2(2 ½, 2 ½, 3) inches. Bind off as follows: p1, ***slip st back to LH needle. P2 tog; rep from *** around.

Armbands:

Place sts from spare yarn on double pointed needles and pick up 7(9,7,9) sts at underarm (or however many sts will give you a multiple of 4) and work in (k2,p2) ribbing for 6 rows. Bind off as follows: p1, ***slip st back to LH needle. P2 tog; rep from *** around.

Neckband:

With double pointed needle, Pick up 56(56,60,60) sts around neck opening. Work in (k2, p2) ribbing for 5 rounds. Bind off as follows: p1, ***slip st back to LH needle. P2 tog; rep from *** around.

Bow (make 2):

With size 10 needle, cast on 8 sts.

Knit 8 rows. Cast off, leaving a 12 inch tail.

Weave tail through cast off sts to midpoint, and knot yarn. Scrunch middle of bow at center, and wind yarn around center three or four times, cinching tight. Knot yarn again to hold in place. Sew to center of sleeve just above ribbing.